

LESTER LEWIS-POWDER

Lester Lewis-Powder is Associate Vice President of Facilities and Construction Management for New Jersey City University (NJCU). Mr. Lewis-Powder oversees a department of 120 charged with strategic management and planning for current and future facilities, linking that process to the vision and strategic plan of NJCU.

Prior to joining NJCU in 2009, Mr. Lewis-Powder served as Executive Director for Let's Celebrate and President of Let's Celebrate Housing. He directs both organizations in the provision of nutritional services, case management and affordable housing to low- and moderate-income populations. During his tenure, he completed several affordable housing developments modeling conventional financing with the Low Income Housing Tax Credit program, HOME funds and other subsidies for the creation of sustainable quality housing for low- and moderate-income populations.

Mr. Lewis-Powder is an elected member of the Maplewood Township Committee, serving as Chair of the Public Safety and Finance Committees as well as a member of the Planning Board and as a Library Trustee.

Mr. Lewis-Powder holds dual bachelor's degrees in economics and finance from Rutgers University and an MPA from the Rutgers University School of Public Affairs and Administration.